COURT OF CLAIMS BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C.

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

DRAFT OF A PROPOSED PROVISION TO AN EXISTING APPROPRIA-TION FOR THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, CONSTRUCTION OF COURT OF CLAIMS BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C.

February 17 (calendar day, February 23), 1931.—Read, referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, February 23, 1931.

The President of the Senate.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress a draft of a proposed provision pertaining to an existing appropriation for the Treasury Department, for sites and construction, public buildings, act of May 25, 1926, as amended.

The details of the proposed provision, the necessity therefor, and the reason for its transmission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

HERBERT HOOVER.

Bureau of the Budget, Washington, February 23, 1931.

Sir: I have the honor to submit for your consideration a draft of a proposed provision pertaining to an existing appropriation for the

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Treasury Department, for sites and construction, public buildings, act of May 25, 1926, as amended, as follows:

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Sites and construction, public buildings, act of May 25, 1926, as amended—projects under section 5, Washington, D. C.—Court of Claims Building, Washington, D. C.: For construction of a building, under an estimated total cost of \$1,225,000.

This provision supplements the provision with respect to proposed public building projects in the District of Columbia transmitted to Congress under date of February 2, 1931 (H. Doc. No. 730, 71st Cong., 3d sess.). Its purpose is to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to enter into contracts for the project mentioned in amounts not exceeding in the aggregate the limit of cost specified, and to provide that lump sum appropriations for public buildings heretofore or hereafter made pursuant to the provisions of the public building act, approved May 25, 1926, as amended, shall be available for the purpose.

The foregoing draft of a proposed provision pertaining to an existing appropriation is required to meet contingencies and conditions which have arisen since the transmission to Congress of the Budget for the

fiscal year 1931.

I recommend that the draft of the proposed provision be transmitted to Congress.

Very respectfully

J. CLAWSON ROOP,
Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

The PRESIDENT.

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